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NEW!! GED Course added to Options list

The following was sent to program directors.

KYAE has recently identified a course from the GED Testing Service, *A Teacher's Guide: Getting Acquainted with the 2014 GED® Test*, an eight-week program that will be added to the list of Options for Additional PD Requirement. KYAE is making this course (KYAE 132) available for registration through the [KYAE Course Catalog](http://www.kyae.org/course-catalog) until **October 1, 2013**.

KYAE 132 -- *A Teacher's Guide: Getting Acquainted with the 2014 GED® Test* -- The Eight-Week Program from the GED Testing Service
(<http://www.gedtestingservice.com/uploads/files/cac5af4e7c054564d4a56417cb085bb6.pdf>)

- 13 PD Hours
- Available July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014
- Recognized by KYAE as an option for the additional PD requirement

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Description: This online, program-directed, eight-week course will examine the new test format, content areas and areas of focus:

- Reasoning Through Language Arts, Weeks 1 and 2
- Mathematical Reasoning, Weeks 3 and 4
- Science, Weeks 5 and 6
- Social Studies, Weeks 7 and 8

Each week, participants will complete reading assignments, discussion questions and practice exercises targeting the implications for student preparation.

Each week's template must be completed to earn credit for completing the course. The program director will send the set of completed templates to one of the course facilitators at the conclusion of the course. They will also provide the name and e-mail address for the instructors submitting the templates.

Many thanks go to Tricia Miracle and the Bullitt County staff for piloting this course. Because this is a program-directed course, KYAE suggests the course format below, which was used in Bullitt County, as an option for program directors to administer the course.

Participating instructors:

- *independently view the week's slides and watch the associated videos/ webinar archives*
- *independently complete reading assignments for the week's lesson*
- *view item samplers*
- *work in pairs to talk about discussion questions and email director a summary of their responses as a team by Thursday afternoon each week*
- *work in pairs to complete the practice exercise and email director their completed exercise by Thursday afternoon each week*

As the instructional leader for your staff, the program director will be responsible for assuring completion of the course for your instructors who participate. Once all registered program staff have completed the course, the program director will submit to one of the facilitators a copy of the completed set of templates for each module and a description of the course format used with their staff.

If, in order to register for KYAE 132, staff wish to withdraw from another course for which they are already registered, their program director should send the following information to Elizabeth Arauz, elizabeth.arauz@ky.gov by October 1:

- **Name of staff member to withdraw**
- **County**
- **Title and course code to drop**

If you have any questions, please contact either Gayle Box, Gayle.Box@ky.gov, (502) 573-5114, ext. 353; Joyce Bullock, Joyce.Bullock@ky.gov, ext. 118; or Donna Potter, Donna.Potter@ky.gov, ext. 121.